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FREE HELP FOR ORANGE COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

Are you a business owner who is feeling overwhelmed by tax laws and reporting requirements? Perhaps you're unsure if you can claim exemptions, or you're having trouble figuring out how Social Security affects your business. Well, help is on the way. Claude Parrish, Vice Chairman, State Board of Equalization (BOE) announced today that several federal, state, and local government agencies will team up to offer a free, one-day tax fair to Orange County area small businesses.

Here's your chance to attend a variety of free seminars and talk to the experts. Representatives of the BOE, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, Social Security Administration, as well as other local, state, and federal agencies, will be present to answer your questions. If you are a small business owner, you won't want to miss this opportunity.

Date: Friday, September 26, 2003
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Place: California State University, Fullerton
800 North State College Blvd.
Fullerton, CA 92834

The small business fair will begin at 8:30 a.m. with registration. Opening remarks will be by Mr. Parrish at 9:00 a.m. The fair will include general information sessions, as well as workshops tailored to suit the needs of the small business owner. There will be several workshops offered in Spanish.

Topics to be presented include:

- IRS/EDD State Payroll Tax Reporting Requirements
- Preparing a Sales and Use Tax Return
- Social Security Benefits & Small Business Owners
- Small Business and State Income Taxes
- Understanding Your Business Property Statement
- Audits and Appeals

For more information or to obtain a brochure, please call (949) 461-5732; or visit the BOE website at www.boe.ca.gov and click on [Free Seminars](#) under the "Featured Links" column on the right-hand side of the home page.

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